

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing, including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;
a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;
a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;
a strainer housed in the valve casing, for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device, and
a closing portion provided in the strainer, for blocking a part of the main steam flow flowing from outside to inside,
wherein an axial direction of the main steam outlet portion is provided so as to be perpendicular to an axial direction of the main steam inlet portion, the axial direction of the main steam outlet portion and the axial direction of the main steam inlet portion being parallel to a plane perpendicular to the valve rod of the first valve device, and
wherein the closing portion provided in the strainer is disposed at a position opposite to a side of the main steam outlet.

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Currently Amended) The steam valve according to Claim [[2]] 1, wherein the closing portion is an interruption plate, and wherein the interruption plate is disposed at the position opposite to the side of the main steam outlet and outside the strainer.

4. (Currently Amended) The steam valve according to Claim [[2]] 1, wherein the closing portion is an interruption plate, and wherein the interruption plate is disposed at the position opposite to the side of the main steam outlet and inside the strainer.

5. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:
 - a valve casing, including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;
 - a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;
 - a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;
 - a strainer housed in the valve casing, for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device; and
 - a guide plate provided on the strainer, for creating a main steam peel-off area of a main steam flow flowing from outside to inside of the strainer for surrounding the first valve device.

6. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to Claim 5, wherein the guide plate for creating the main steam peel-off area is provided at the position opposite to the main steam outlet portion side and outside the strainer.

7. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:
 - a valve casing, including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;
 - a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;
 - a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;
 - a strainer housed in the valve casing for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device; and
 - a closing plate rotatably provided in the strainer.

8. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 7, wherein the rotatably provided closing plate is disposed at a position facing the main steam inlet in an unsteady

operation, and wherein the rotatably provided closing plate is disposed at the position opposite to the side of the main steam outlet in a steady operation.

9. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to claim 1, wherein the second valve device is formed into a lateral structure and disposed at a downstream side from the first valve device, while the first valve device is formed into a vertical structure and disposed at an upstream side of the main steam.

10. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing including a main steam inlet at one side and a main steam outlet disposed at another side in an opposite direction and in parallel with the main steam inlet;
a strainer provided in the valve casing; and
a closing portion provided in the strainer at a position and extending substantially in a first direction and a second direction, the first direction being orthogonal to an axial line of each of the main steam inlet and the main steam outlet, the second direction being parallel to the axial line of each of the main steam inlet and the main steam outlet.

11. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 10, wherein the closing portion is an interruption plate, and wherein the interruption plate is disposed outside the strainer.

12. (Original) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing including a main steam inlet at one side and a main steam outlet disposed at another side in an opposite direction and in parallel with the main steam inlet;
a strainer provided in the valve casing;
a rotatably sliding rotating interruption plate surrounding the strainer; and
a driving device for driving the rotating interruption plate.

13. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 12, wherein the rotating interruption plate is provided with an adjusting stopper for adjusting a rotational transfer region.

14. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to Claim 12, wherein the rotating interruption plate is provided with a fitting piece for adjusting a rotational transfer region.

15. (Original) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing including a main steam inlet disposed at one side and a main steam outlet disposed at another side in an opposite direction and in parallel with the main steam inlet;
a strainer provided in the valve casing;
an interruption plate for surrounding the strainer; and
an insertion and pull-out path formed in a valve lid of the valve casing, for freely inserting and pulling-out the interruption plate.

16. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to Claim 15, wherein the interruption plate is provided with an adjusting stopper for adjusting a rotational transfer region.

17. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to Claim 15, wherein the interruption plate is provided with a fitting piece for adjusting a rotational transfer region.

18. (Original) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing including a main steam inlet disposed at one side and a main steam outlet disposed at another side in an opposite direction and in parallel with the main steam inlet;
a strainer provided in the valve casing; and
an interruption plate provided inside the strainer.

19. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to Claim 18, wherein the interruption plate is a projection piece disposed at an upstream side from a valve seat of the valve casing.

20. (Previously Presented) The steam valve according to Claim 18, wherein the interruption plate is a projection piece disposed downstream side from a valve seat of the valve casing.

21. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;

a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a strainer housed in the valve casing for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device;

a closing portion provided in the strainer for blocking a part of a main steam flow flowing from outside to inside; and

a bulkhead provided between the strainer and the valve casing to prevent a collision of the two main steam flows having been separated by and flowing around from the closing portion.

22. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 21, wherein the closing portion provided in the strainer is disposed at a position facing the main steam inlet.

23. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 21, wherein the bulkhead is disposed at the position opposite to the side of the closing portion.

24. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:

a valve casing including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;

a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a strainer housed in the valve casing for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device;

an interruption plate provided in the strainer for blocking a part of a main steam flow flowing from outside to inside; and

a bulkhead provided between the strainer and the valve casing to prevent a collision of the two main steam flows having been separated by and flowing around from the closing portion.

25. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 24, wherein the interruption plate is disposed outside the strainer and at a position facing the main steam inlet.

26. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 24, wherein the interruption plate is disposed inside the strainer and at a position facing the main steam inlet.

27. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:

a valve casing including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;

a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat,

a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a strainer housed in the valve casing for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device;

a closing portion provided in the strainer for blocking a part of a main steam flow flowing from outside to inside;

a bulkhead provided between the strainer and the valve casing to prevent a collision of the two main steam flows having been separated by and flowing around from the closing portion; and

a pressure-recovering chamber formed into a shape broadened toward the end, provided in the valve casing and disposed downstream from the strainer provided with the closing portion.

28. (Original) A steam valve comprising:

a valve casing including a main steam inlet at one side and a main steam outlet disposed at another side in an opposite direction and in parallel with the main steam inlet;

a strainer provided in the valve casing;

a closing portion for blocking a part of a main steam flow flowing from outside to inside; and

a bulkhead provided between the strainer and the valve casing to prevent a collision of the two main steam flows having been separated by and flowing around from the closing portion.

29. (Original) A steam valve comprising:

a valve casing including a main steam inlet at one side and a main steam outlet disposed at another side in an opposite direction and in parallel with the main steam inlet;

a strainer provided in the valve casing;

a guide plate provided at a side facing the main steam inlet of the strainer;

a closing portion for blocking a part of the main steam flow flowing from outside the guide plate to inside thereof; and

a bulkhead provided between the strainer and the valve casing to prevent a collision of the two main steam flows having been separated by and flowing around from the closing portion.

30. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 29, wherein the guide plate is formed into a wing-shape.

31. (Previously Presented) A steam valve comprising:
a valve casing including a main steam inlet portion and a main steam outlet portion;

a first valve device disposed at a main steam inlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a second valve device disposed at a main steam outlet portion side in the valve casing including a valve seat, a valve body, a valve rod and a driving device;

a strainer housed in the valve casing for surrounding the valve body of the first valve device;

a closing portion provided in the strainer for blocking a part or a main steam flow flowing from outside to inside;

a bulkhead provided between the strainer and the valve casing to prevent a collision of the two main steam flows having been separated by and flowing around from the closing portion; and

a rack-like flow path formed between the valve casing and the strainer along a shaft length direction of the valve rod of the first valve device at a distance.

32. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 31, wherein the rack-like flow path is partitioned with a flow path partitioning plate and the flow path partitioning plate is disposed around an entire outside circumference of the strainer.

33. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 32, wherein the flow path partitioning plate is disposed around an entire circumference of the strainer.

34. (Original) The steam valve according to Claim 32, wherein the flow path partitioning plate is disposed around a predetermined part of a circumferential length of the entire circumference of the strainer.